

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, CITIZENS, SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, BUSINESSES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS USE THE INTERNET FOR A VARIETY OF TASKS, INCLUDING KEEPING IN CONTACT WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, MANAGING PERSONAL FINANCES, PERFORMING RESEARCH, ENHANCING

EDUCATION AND CONDUCTING BUSINESS; AND

WHEREAS, CRITICAL SECTORS ARE INCREASINGLY RELIANT ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS TO SUPPORT FINANCIAL SERVICES, ENERGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION,

UTILITIES, HEALTH CARE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEMS; AND

WHEREAS, INTERNET USERS AND OUR INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE FACE AN INCREASING

THREAT OF MALICIOUS ATTACK; AND

WHEREAS, EACH YEAR THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL AND PERSONAL PRIVACY LOSSES DUE

TO IDENTITY THEFT AND FRAUD; AND

WHEREAS, THE MULTI-STATE INFORMATION SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER (MS-ISAC) WAS

ESTABLISHED IN JANUARY 2003 TO PROVIDE A COLLABORATIVE MECHANISM TO HELP STATES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ENHANCE CYBER SECURITY; AND THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICE PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO HELP ENHANCE THE SECURITY OF THE

STATE OF IOWA; AND

WHEREAS, THERE ARE NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE NON-PROFIT NATIONAL CYBER

SECURITY ALLIANCE (NCSA), POLICYMAKERS, GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, PRIVATE SECTOR COMPANIES, AND NON-PROFIT ENTITIES HELPING CONSUMERS, BUSINESSES, EDUCATIONAL LEADERS AND OUR YOUTH TO PROTECT THEMSELVES ONLINE; AND

WHEREAS. MAINTAINING THE SECURITY OF CYBERSPACE IS A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY IN WHICH

EACH OF US HAS A CRITICAL ROLE, AND AWARENESS OF COMPUTER SECURITY

ESSENTIALS WILL IMPROVE THE SECURITY OF IOWA'S INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE

AND ECONOMY; AND

WHEREAS, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, THE MULTI-STATE INFORMATION

SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER AND THE NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY ALLIANCE HAVE DECLARED OCTOBER AS NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHESTER J. CULVER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF IOWA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2009, AS

## CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

IN IOWA AND ENCOURAGE ALL THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE TO LEARN ABOUT CYBER SECURITY AND PUT THAT KNOWLEDGE INTO PRACTICE IN THEIR HOMES, SCHOOLS, WORKPLACES, AND BUSINESSES

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. MAURO SECRETARY OF STATE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND NINE.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR OF IOWA